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In re: Vishnu K. Agarwal; USAN 09/652,993, filed August 31, 2000, for DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING AGAINST OXIDATION OF A CONDUCTIVE LAYER IN SAID DEVICE.

Pursuant to your request, attached is a copy of Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449, copy of postcard date stamped January 14, 2004, sent on January 8, 2004 and a copy of Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; Form PTO-1449, copy of postcard date stamped September 2, 2003, sent August 25, 2003.

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